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REMARKS

Entry of this Preliminary Amendment before continued examination of the instant application is respectfully requested. Upon entry of this Amendment, claims 1-49 remain in the application. New claims 50 through 55 have been added in order to set forth additional specific embodiments of Applicants' invention.

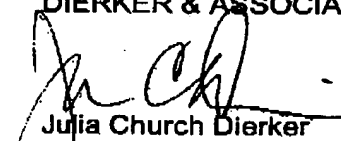
It is submitted that the claims as presented herein are fully supported by the application as originally filed. A recitation of suitable soluble inorganic metal salts may be found in the specification as filed at page 3, lines 6-12. Further, a recitation of suitable non-water soluble photoresists may be found in the specification as filed at page 3, lines 26-30. Additional support for this recitation may be found in the specification as filed at page 3, lines 14-15.

In summary, claims 1-49 remain in the application and new claims 50-55 have been added. It is submitted that, through this Amendment, Applicants' invention as set forth in these claims is now in a condition suitable for allowance.

Further and favorable consideration is requested. If the Examiner believes it would expedite prosecution of the above-identified application, the Examiner is cordially invited to contact Applicants' Attorney at the below-listed telephone number.

Respectfully submitted,

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